MAKE THE RETREAT

The Cee Ay

By the Students of Columbia Academy

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Annual Retreat To Begin Wednesday

The annual Academy Retreat will take place, as usual, the last three days of Holy Week, April 18, 19, and 20, respectively. The retreat master this year will be Father Bede Murphy, a Passionist who comes to Columbia highly recommended for this type of work.

All seniors without exception must make the retreat, closed, if at all possible. Juniors and sophomores are expected to apply, but may make the open retreat if necessary. Freshmen must consult their religion teachers before making application.

Due to limited accommodations, it is preferable that sophomores and such freshmen as are accepted make the open retreat, which implies attending the retreat lectures, but eating and sleeping at home. However, arrangements can be made with the authorities in case one wishes to make the closed retreat.

It seems hardly necessary for us to reiterate that often repeated counsel—make the retreat! But no amount of repetition can too deeply impress the wisdom of that advice. The full benefit to be derived from this spiritual interlude can only be measured in eternity.

For more detailed information concerning the retreat, consult either Father Patnode, or the Spiritual Director, Father Striegel.

Elocutionary Contest To Be Held in May

Sunday, May 12, is the date set for the finals of the Annual Elocutionary Contest at the Academy as announced by the Director of Dramatics. This contest has always been an important event in the Academy as well as a valued tradition. Care was employed in selecting the men who will appear in the three divisions, oratorial, dramatic, and humorous.

Those who are to appear are: William Keller and Alphonse White in the Oratorical with William Noonan as the alternate; John Link and Raymond Roseliep in the humorous with Phillip Renier alternating; and Robert Deggendorff and Robert Hanson in the dramatic with Robert Swift the alternate.

Most of these men have appeared before in the Elocutionary Contest with the exceptions of Messrs Noonan, Link and Renier.

The most outstanding speaker of the three divisions receives a gold medal and there will be two silver medals awarded to the other two chosen in their respective divisions. A local attorney will act as judge. Last year the gold medal was awarded James Engler in the dramatic division.

We Salute the Charter Members

ARTHUR O'NEILL
East Dubuque, Ill., Senior class Secretary and an honor student. O'Neill won the silver medal in the short story this year. He is a special writer for the Cee-Ay, a librarian and a mission worker.

ROBERT HANSON
a Junior, is to be found in many activities around the campus. Bob is a leader among his classmates and he plays football and basketball and finds time to take part in dramatic contests and make the honor roll.

JOHN KOLFENBACH
Dubuque, Senior President. John is an honor student to the point of monotony. He played end in football and was captain of the Gubs in basketball. He has served on The Cee-Ay and in the Propagation of the Faith.

ALPHONSE WHITE
Worthington, Iowa. "Al" is also an honor student and a regular fellow who gets into many activities such as athletics, dramatics and C. S. M. C. work. White is also a Sacristan.

RAYMOND ROSELIEP
a Senior, co-editor of The Cee-Ay. Ray won the gold medal in short story this year. He is an honor student and besides is in a great many extra-curricular activities, such as dramatics, missions, etc.

WILLIAM KELLER
of Dubuque. "Red" is admired by all. He is Senior Vice-President, a fine athlete and is interested in all things Columbia. Keller is an honor student and is of very high calibre all around.

GEORGE THOMA
President of the Junior class. Thoma is one of those fellows that always places in the upper brackets in the honor roll. He was a semi-finalist in the oratorical contest, and is an officer in the C. S. M. C.

PAUL HUBER
likewise a Junior, is Secretary-Treasurer of his class. Paul is an honor student, a member of the band and is interested in intramural athletics. Huber is an assistant editor of The Cee-Ay and a Crusade worker.

JAMES PAULY
Sophomore Class President. Pauly's name has graced the honor roll with regularity. He is an officer in the C. S. M. C. unit in the Academy and has won many friends here by his fine personality.

AL SPAHN
a Sophomore. Spahn is one of the most promising students in the under classes. He is an honor student, Secretary-Treasurer of the Sophomore class. He has shown an interest in many extra-curricular activities.

Annual Card Party To Be Held April 23

On Wednesday, April 23, the Mother's Club will hold their annual card party and raffle. It is expected that there will be an even larger attendence than that of last year. Bridge, five-hundred, and euchre will be featured on that evening. However, the highlight of the evening will be a raffle in which twenty five dollars in cash will be awarded to the lucky parties.

The price of the tickets is only twenty-five cents. A ticket entitles the bearer to a full evening of card-playing and a lunch.

The President of this organization, Mrs. Lenz, wishes that this message be announced: There will be a meeting for all the mothers in the Academy Library on April 15. All are expected to attend, so that through cooperation and coordination, the forthcoming fete will be a success. Mrs. Lenz also wishes that those who still have chance books out will return them at their earliest convenience.

Mission Crusade Makes Progress During Year

In some respects the Mission cause has advanced in Columbia Academy this year; in some ways it has gone backwards; and in others it has stood still.

In these depression years the number of paid up memberships in the Catholic Students Mission Crusade and in the Propagation of the Faith Society has reached a new low; the formal meetings and activities of these organizations have lessened, and financial support of the Missions has declined.

Although they were not full-fledged members, some eighty students have been interested in the four Crusade Round Tables for study of the Missions.

On the other hand, there is evidence that the message of the Missions has gone home to individual students stronger than ever before, while their view of Missions has broadened and come down to daliy

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Only Ten Students Chosen at This Time

The Cee-Ay takes great pleasure in announcing the innovation of a truly unprecedented Columbia "honor" club, consisting of ten Academy students selected through ballot by both the faculty and the student body.

The initial members of the fraternity are announced elsewhere in this issue. They were chosen on several important points, which include (1) scholastic ability, and (2) interest and success in school activities. Under this latter, of course, come athletics, band, dramatics, contests, publications, missions, and so forth.

The third of the qualifications considered was qualities of leadership and personality. This may be summed up in the question, "Is the student representative of Columbia ideals both on and off the campus?"

After much deliberation, it was decided to admit members on the following ratio, five seniors, three juniors, and two sophomores. The second year men, however, are not eligible until the second semester of their sophomore year.

Complete plans for the organization are rather tentative as yet, but in the near future a constitution will be drawn up, a pin will be decided on and also a name for the frater-

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Professor Begins CCC Book League

Soon after one of the professors of the house became aware of the crying need for good Catholic literature in the CCC Camps of our Archdiocese, he started a movement among the Seniors of the Academy to collect this much needed literature. As plans materialized it was found that the worthiness of the cause had elicited the interest of many Catholic laymen in Dubuque and vicinity. The movement was given publicity in the Catholic Daily Tribune and in the Telegraph-Herald, and through the persistent efforts of the organizer, who is already overtaxed with duties, books have been sent to almost all the camps. These books are being well received by the boys, among them some alumni of the Academy. The movement has grown with rapid strides and soon another shipment will be made.

Among the most generous contributors are The Catholic Women's League of Lansing, Iowa, The Catholic Daughters of Dubuque, Mrs. Mary Brennan of Nativity Parish, A friend from St. Patrick's, a friend from St. Mary's, J. E. Mehrl of Dubuque, Acolytical Society of St. Anthony's, Mr. and Mrs. Behr of Sherrills Mound.

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EASTERTIDE

On Easter the Church celebrates the resurrection of Christ. Let the "Rabboni" of Mary Magdalen resound on this day. Let her love, faith and rejoicing be ours. Let us rise with the Risen Lord to a new life, that of sanctifying grace and union with Him, always to remain so united with Him.

Perhaps, even as the body of Christ went through torture before He approached this glorious day, and even as the soul of Christ descended into Limbo, so we too must suffer the penances and fasts of Lent as prescribed by the Church, these are the tortures of the body; mayhaps, our souls will have to pass through a hell of despondency or discouragement because Lent is so long or because on the surface we seem to have failed. Oh the happiness and the satisfaction of rising glorious with Christ after preparing to arise like Him and with Him. Let this Easter be the most glorious you have ever tasted. As the sun dances according to ancient tradition, every Easter morning as it comes over the horizon, so let your heart dance with supreme joy in this happy season because of your love for the Risen Master.

CATHOLIC READING

Often we hear the complaint from contemporaries that good books really desirable for Catholic reading are hard to locate. unless access to other than public libraries is possible.

A completely adequate reply to these people is found in a recent innovation undertaken by friends of the Dubuque Public Library, the Catholic Bookshelf.

Here are books of every type, appealing to all intellects and suitable for every purpose. The number of volumes constantly is increasing, and a more varied selection would indeed be difficult to find.

Until recent years, the necessity and value of good literature for the promulgation of the Catholic faith was not truly appraised. However, today the best of Catholic reading is at our disposal in this bookshelf.

MISSION CRUSADE MAKES PROGRESS DURING YEAR

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life. Witness in this regard the Seniors' initiation of the movement to supply Catholic reading for the Catholic bodys in the C. C. C. camps and the underclasses, a total of 169,667 spiritual offerings for the Missions, which 2,955 Masses heard, 1,317 mementoes in Holy Communion, 5,359 visits to the Blessed Sacrament and 2,600 Rosaries.

Not a little of this excellent showing has been due to the quiet, individual work of the Crusade Unit's officers: Raymond Roseliep, Edwin Giese, Art O'Neill and James Pauly, as well as the other class officers of the Crusade sections: William Keller, Eugene Geisler, Melvin Fleege, Robert Melchior, Alois Vogt, George Freund, Lloyd Wagner, Al Spahn, Robert McComish, Harry Callahan, Robert Mentzer and William De Corel, and the rest of the Round Table leaders: Justin Kane, George Thoma, Joseph Evans and Robert Sloan.

Nor have such works been without the encouragement which comes from realization of having elder spiritual brothers serving the Missions. How many Academy alumni have gone to missionary dioceses in the South and West of our country will probably never be known. But for Academy graduates of recent years, at least nine are known to have cast in their lot with the Missions, strictly so-called. Five of these are already priests: Joseph Kenter '17 is a Franciscan missionary among Indians of Michigan; China claims Joseph Henkel '19 of the Society of the Divine Word; while three are Maryknoll Missioners; Reginald Markham '24 and Arthur Weber '25 in China, and Hubert Pospichal '14, the pioneer of them all, in South China. Three now, Lawrence Baldus '29, Bernard Wieland '29, Martinus Kanne '30 are students at Maryknoll Seminary, while John Brown of last year's class entered the Society of the Divine Word preparatory Seminary at Techny, Illinois.

This in addition to the other seven College men (three of them priests) numbered in mission ranks but who did not attend the Academy.

FIRST PRIZE STORY

"Beating Murphy's Time"

Raymond Roseliep

Jim Murphy was a gangster—that was obvious. Society in Mellville, the underworld, yea, even the police knew this, together with a realization of the fact that a man can not in any United State's court be convicted upon mere circumstantial evidence. Yet, that is all they could ever hold against the notorious Murphy—circumstantial evidence—for the multifarious crimes that were being committed in and about the outskirts of Mellville. And, what were they to do about it? The local police were powerless in digging up proof sufficient that would rid the world of this infamous man. This state of affairs, most everyone agreed, "would just have to rest until something turned up". And the tables did turn for Jim Murphy.

Frank Donegan, the kindly Police Sergeant, sat at his desk musing thoughtfully over the morning's paper. And he had reason to appear so placid, for, on the very front page of the paper in a conspicuous locale starred the face of a cynically smiling man, namely the town-wide talked-of-Jim Murphy! — with the interrogation: "Shall Society put up with him any longer?" printed in bold type letters underneath.

The bulky form of Sergeant Donegan shifted restlessly in the huge revolving chair, and a noticeable frown distorted his usual pleasant countenance. He looked thoughtful for a moment, then, with a decisive gesture pressed the buzzer on his desk, to which responded his right bower Evans, who held a dual capacity in Mellville—that of "private detective" to Donegan and local district attorney.

"Evans," the sergeant began, "I have an idea, and a p-r-e-t-t-y good one at that. Look here," pointing at the paper and not letting the puzzled Evans have time to even so much as open his mouth, "that blasted Editor has been threatened before by Murphy for giving him 'too much publicity.' Only yesterday he got another notice from Murphy, saying that his life was as good as m-u-d if he dared to even so much as to mention his name in "The Daily Times" again. Why what's ailing that dern Editor? Can't he understand English? Evans, I have a feeling that Mr. Jim Murphy will make his landing tonight—on Editor Sullivan, and this is my idear. Pick out six of our best men and surround Sullivan's house tonight—about ten bells is time enough, I think. Then grab the low-down sneak! He wont get by this time. We'll have real evidence. Caught with a gun right on his person—Ha, Har, Haw," he laughed, "just like catching a mouse with a piece of American cheese! What say you Ev, old keed?"

"That's OK with me chief. You got the brains all right. It will be like beating a man at his own game. You can depend on me, sir, rest assured."

"All right Evans, you may go now —but don't fail me tonight!"

Claude Evans left the sergeant

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The End Man

AN ORCHID TO FATHER STEMM AND ALL THE LADS FOR THE BRILLIANT PERFORMANCE OF THE SIGN OF THE CROSS. As evidenced by one of the faculty members out swinging the Olde golf club spring is here and soon the days of sick grandmothers and doctors appointments will be upon us. Which means Dan (I can write them) Tierney will soon be sharpening up Ye Olde pencil to write excuses for all the lads . . . Amid a terrible clanging and shrieking the other dawning saw one of the lads on the hook and ladder singing snatches of "The Man On The Flying Trapeze" . . . Probably a little bird seed in the rations that morning . . . In one of his recent classes a certain Prof. was treated? to one of Master Toepel's brilliant sallies on wit and humor??? with out the usual premeditation which accompany M. Toepel's stagnant puns . . . Prof.—"Master Toepel, is it true that the energy derived from the Daniell Cell comes from the Zinc?" M. Toepel—"I Zinc so but I'm not quite sure . . . Coffee will be served in the parlor at three.

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With the return of spring, fashions and hair are cropping out. Gonzer tried to make a permanent impression on the boys, but it turned out to be a big washout. Remember Harold, there is such a thing as letting beauty go to your head. Not to forget Maurisse's installment mustasche (a little down each week), which we believe is also letting things grow to far. While taking the usual spring snapshots a near tragedy almost occured when Pfohl yawned and swallowed the camera but it was removed, however, before anything could develop. (Isn't that the punniest thing you ever read.)

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Wimpy Ryan claims that everyone has a chance to become president but he'll sell his for a quarter.

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Bob Hanson intends to be a baseball pitcher. Quoting some of the speech we find, "why I can hit the oppositions bats no matter where they put them."

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To The Teachers

Here's to the teachers
Long may they live.
Even as long as
The homework they give.

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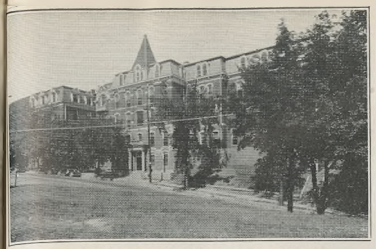
DID YOU KNOW THAT:

Setter thinks a Colt Revolver is a small horse pistol?

Coady maintains two pints make one cavort?

Trebon still claims a scrub team is to keep the players clean.



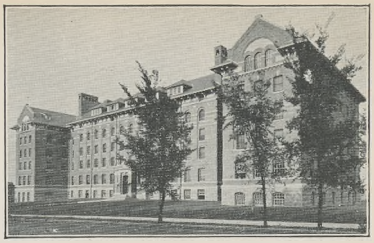
ST. JOSEPH HALL—Administration Building and High School

Columbia College

A Catholic College for Young Men

DUBUQUE, IOWA

Founded in 1850

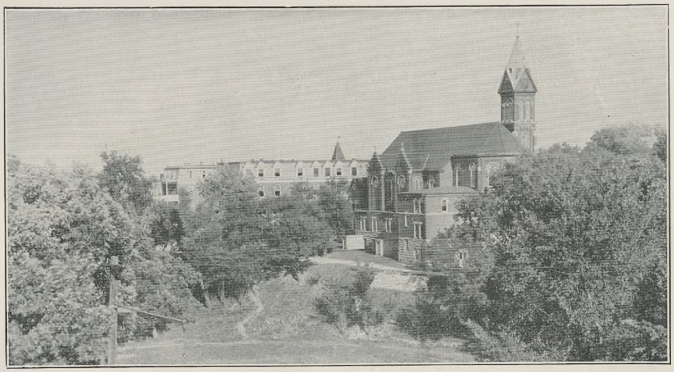


LORAS HALL—College Dormitory and Classrooms

IDEALS

The ideal of Columbia College, a Catholic college for young men, is Christ. Its primary purpose is to make Christ the supreme reality in the lives of its students. That purpose is expressed in its motto, **Pro Deo et Patria.** The college holds that God is the Alpha and the Omega of right education; that Christ, Who is God incarnate, is the way, the truth and the life; that to know God and Jesus Christ, Whom He has sent, is the highest wisdom that man can grasp. It aims to fashion men who, whether in the priesthood or in the secular walks of life, will be enlightened apostles of the Truth. Its program is one of Catholic Action. The atmosphere of the college and its daily activities tend to impress upon the student that his chief concern should be to cultivate a personal friendship with Christ and to equip himself to render a Christ-like service to God and country and fellow man.

The faculty, priests of the archdiocese of Dubuque and several laymen, maintain a close association with the students, living in the same buildings with them, participating in their various activities, encouraging them in their studies, and in every way assuming the relation of a friend rather than the role of a taskmaster.



CHAPEL AND AUDITORIUM

EXPENSES

The regular expenses per semester of eighteen weeks are as follows:

Tuition, College, each semester	$ 50.00
Tuition, High School, each semester	37.50
Student Activity Fee, each semester	10.00
Board and lodging, each semester	135.00

Private rooms range from $30.00 to $60.00 each semester.

Every student is required to pay a matriculation fee ($5.00) at the time of his first registration.

The fees are extremely low when the scholastic standing of the institution is considered. This has been made possible through the endowment fund which was contributed in 1917 by the people of the archdiocese of Dubuque.

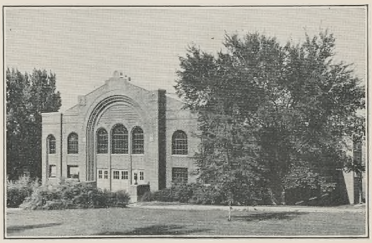
The various forms of extracurricular activity are encouraged, so that every student may find an opportunity to participate in that which interests him.

Athletics, both intercollegiate and intramural, receive proper attention and every student is encouraged to take part in some form of physical exercise.

ST. FRANCIS HALL—Refectory

LOCATION

Columbia College is located at Dubuque, Iowa, a city of 40,000 with railway facilities afforded by the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy, the Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul and Pacific, the Chicago Great Western, and the Illinois Central Railroads. Paved highways, north, south, east and west, assure autoists of all-weather roads.



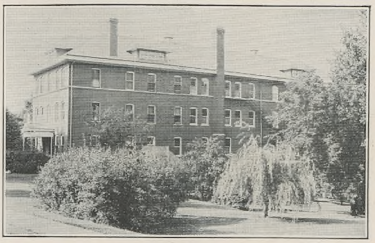
GYMNASIUM

BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT

Eight buildings on the college campus are devoted exclusively to educational use. These buildings are grouped on a fifty-acre campus in the center of the city of Dubuque. An entire building is used as a Science Hall where complete laboratories for Biology, Chemistry, Geology, and Physics are equipped for the proper teaching of those subjects. It also contains a Museum with valuable collections of Art, Natural Science, Religious Articles, etc.

The Library, located in Loras Hall, has more than 50,000 volumes of books and magazines which are for the use of the students. Complete sets of the best periodicals are available and the reading room is supplied with the current magazines, reference books, and indexes.

The campus of fifty acres affords ample recreational facilities in baseball and football fields, tennis courts, track, and walks through the beautiful woodland of Keane Oaks.



SCIENCE HALL

Music is an essential factor in developing culture. For this reason students with musical ability will find an opportunity to become members of the College Choir, the Orchestra, or the Band.

The Dramatic Club is an organization of students interested in the presentation of plays. Every year public performances are given in which students who have qualified may take part. Regular classes in Dramatics are scheduled, so that students interested may learn the art of acting, directing and staging plays. Each week one-act plays are directed and staged by the students of the class. Practical work in the construction of scenery, costuming, etc., constitute a part of the regular class work.

The **Publications,** the Spokesman, a quarterly, and the Lorian, a bi-weekly, offer students with literary taste and ability ample opportunity of expression. The Cee-Ay, a bi-weekly newspaper, is published by the Academy.

The **Wranglers,** an intercollegiate debating club, participate in a number of debates annually. During 1933-1934 they made a trip to Washington, D. C., to debate with a team representing the Catholic University of America.

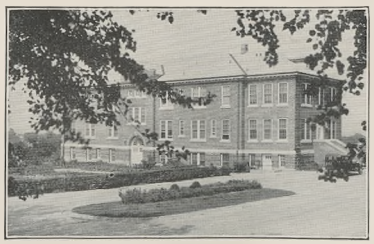
ORGANIZATION AND CURRICULA

Columbia College comprises two divisions, the College and the High School. The teaching faculty of these two divisions is distinct. Forty-five priests and laymen devote their entire time to educational work for which they have made special preparation. One thousand students are annually enrolled in the two divisions. The College also conducts a six weeks' summer session as a regular part of its organization.

The college division offers a regular four-year course in the liberal arts and science leading to the Bachelor of Arts degree. Students, however, may so elect their courses that they can prepare themselves for admission to the Seminary in preparation for the priesthood; to the College of Medicine, Law, Commerce, Engineering, or Dentistry. At the beginning of the Junior year every student is required to elect a major subject to which he will devote his larger interest.

The College has been approved by the Iowa State Board of Education, the North Central Association of Colleges, the Catholic Education Association, the Association of American Universities, the New York State Board of Regents, and is a member of the Association of American Colleges. Its students are admitted to all standard colleges and universities for professional or graduate study.

The High School offers a four-year course in which the student receives a general fundamental training which will fit him to take up any vocation that he may choose. It is accredited by the Iowa State Board of Education and by the North Central Association of Secondary Schools.



INFIRMARY

COLUMBIA ACADEMY

A Catholic High School for Boys

Dubuque, Iowa

A standard and fully accredited four-year high school is conducted by Columbia College. It is a boarding and day school for high school students. Although the Academy is located on the campus of Columbia College and thereby enjoys the excellent educational facilities afforded by such association, it has its own faculty composed of priests from the archdiocese of Dubuque who have been trained for their particular work. It also has its own residence hall, recreation grounds, classrooms, library, laboratories, etc.

The faculty takes a particular interest in the welfare of every student and supervises all their extracurricular activities, furnishing that guidance needed by the high school pupil.

Unusual extracurricular advantages are offered in dramatics, public speaking, journalism, music, athletics, etc. An effort is made to have every student participate in some form of extra curricular activity.

The Academy Band makes many public appearances every year and has always elicited much praise for the excellent progress that it has made.

The expenses at the Academy are extremely low; a student may attend the Academy for $350.00 for the year.

Expenses

Matriculation fee	$5.00 (payable only once)
Tuition	$ 37.50 per semester
Board and lodging	135.00 per semester
Student Activity Fee	7.50 per semester

Private rooms are available at a small additional charge.

Separate catalogues for the College and Academy are issued and will be sent upon application to

THE REGISTRAR, COLUMBIA COLLEGE, DUBUQUE, IOWA

Basketball Season Proves Successful

As we look over last season and see that our Gubs won twenty and lost but eight games we realize that we had a real basketball team. When the season opened there was little hope for a successful year. However Coach Cretzmeyer started out and fashioned an entirely new team. As we look over the records we see that he was very successful.

All the boys worked very hard and the results were gratifying. The conduct of each and every player should be complimented. One of the professors was heard to remark that all the players were true Catholic gentlemen. This fact is substantiated by a recent letter received by Father Peters which congratulated the team members on their excellent conduct while at a hotel in Chicago during the national tournament. Without a doubt this conduct helped to further the efforts of the players in all their games.

The Captain, John Kolfenbach, deserves a lot of credit too. Johnny meant a lot to the fellows, players and students alike. As leader of the squad, he accomplished a great deal. If the team came out second best, everyone knew that he had tried his best. They knew how he kept up the morale of the team and they went away satisfied. Johnny is one of the best liked fellows in school and the loss of his services as an athlete will be very great. He's a regular fellow all around.

There are other fellows graduating that'll be missed too. Tierney and Moran were regulars and Baxter, Toepel, and Koob were the old standbys of Coach Cretz.

DID YOU KNOW—

Columbia won the state tournament?

Bob Matthews was the high score man in the state?

Two of the games were decided in the last minute of play?

St. Ambrose's first defeat of the year was at the hands of the Gubs in the final game of the state tournament?

Columbia went places in the national?

Moran received a silver trophy for being judged the most valuable man in the consolation tournament?

The Gubs were the smallest team in stature in the national?

Matthews, Hanson, and Dorrington attended an auction while at Chicago netting Dorrington some 3c socks and 39c shirts?

The Gubs were the best behaved team in the national? Typical Columbians, eh, what?

The Gubs scored 123 points in the national tournament?

The Gubs received two gold and one bronze basketball in tournaments this year?

The Gubs were the youngest in age in the national tournament?

Columbia is the proud possessor of thirteen basketball awards?

The scores against the Gubs in the national were the lowest of all the teams?

The Gubs were said to have been one of the best defensive teams entered in a national?

The Gubs in the course of the season won twenty and lost only eight games?

All subs saw considerable service in the national?

The Gubs scored 741 points in a year's play?

Some of the Gubs paraded their C. A. sweaters on the drag in Chicago in below zero weather?

One Gub had a stiff neck on his arrival from Chicago?

Bob Hartford enjoys basketball more than anyone else because there is so much more of him to enjoy it?

Johnny Kolfenbach scored 5 baskets in the New York game in the N. C. T. at Loyola? He scored more baskets in this game than in any other in his high school career.

"Mac" McCabe, center for the Fenwick team, to whom the Academy lost in the finals, is six feet, four and one half inches tall and only 15 years old? He is in his sophomore year.

Hollister, California, the co-champions of that state, who were entered in the national tournament have an exact enrollment of twenty eight in their school?

WE HAD A BASKETBALL TEAM?

William Moran Wins Tournament Trophy

Upon the return of the Gubs from the National Tournament, we find that William W. Moran, more commonly known as Bill, has won a silver trophy.

"Congratulations, Bill. We're all glad it's you." This little sentence expresses better than anything else the sentiments of the student body and the players alike. Both think the choice in order and that Bill really deserved it.

Bill was one of the old stand-bys of the Coach. He was one of the hardest workers on the team. All, however, worked equally as hard to make the team what it was. He has been playing basketball of the very finest brand for Columbia for the last two years, although it was only this last year that he was a "regular."

FIRST PRIZE STORY

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with an assuring smile to break the good news to the selected six.

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But the force waited that night until eleven, until twelve, until half-past, when the anxious Evans announced: "Say fellows, there's something screwy—that light's been on in the upstairs' library ever since we came. Murphy must'nt intend to light or maybe Sullivan's waiting up for him. Let's go up and have a look. I have a feeling there's something rotten in Denmark."

No answer to the bell. Finally Evans, with the aid of the efficient six forced open the door and bounded up the stairs before them. Upon entering the library, they were greeted by the prostrate figure of E. D. Sullivan, staring into space—cold in death!

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Sergeant Donegan was none too pleased with startling results. "So he beat our time! The dirty devil! Evans, we've got to do something. With that flask of poison left behind as a clue we should have evidence enough to convict Master Murphy. Wonder why he changed his usual formula from bullets to poison? Guess he thought the crack of a gun might wake up the neighbors. Foxy fellow!"

"Chief," Evans broke in, "I've got it. How about trying that old hide-out where friend Murphy used to hang out. We might find him there. He probably figures that we'd never think of going back there for him. What do you think, sergeant?"

"OK, no harm done in trying;" from the pessimistic Donegan, "Go ahead!"

An hour later, to the surprise and astonishment of the dejected Donegan, Evans and two others returned, bounding into the sergeant's office and leading behind them the not too willing figure of the notorious Jim Murphy!

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Mellville's crowded court room was tense as Murphy's lawyer finished his lengthy oration with the words, "A flask of poison can convict no one. There are no finger-prints on it. You have merely another supposition with circumstantial evidence."

The crowd began to mutter as the stern Judge pounded and demanded, "Order in court!"

Murphy paled slightly and twitched nervously as prosecuting attorney Evans arose to question him. A quiet so sound permeated the court room that a wrist watch could be heard ticking as the nonchalant Evans began: "This time Mr. Murphy, I'm afraid you're outwitted.

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Baseball League Is Organized by Legion

The Dubuque American Legion has undertaken a movement for an organization of a junior baseball league. It is proposed to have a league of six teams representing Columbia Academy, Senior High, Jefferson, Washington, Sacred Heart, and St. Columbkille's.

Managers and coaches have already been selected by the Legion committee to take charge of the teams. Coach Cretzmeyer will act as coach of the Academy with Leo Schleuter as Manager.

Every effort will be made to get play under way at once. The plan is to have the season open on April 20 and close May 20. From the various clubs an all star team will be selected which will represent the Dubuque Legion Post at the district meets and state meet which are to be held at Clinton, Waterloo, and Des Moines. Boys ranging in age from twelve to seventeen years are eligible to compete in the meet.

'Sign of the Cross' Witnessed by Many

In regard to "The Sign of the Cross" the Telegraph-Herald paid this fine tribute:

With a splendid dramatization to enact, a cast of talented and experienced actors, a staff of well-trained musicians and a twenty-five-year-old history of high theatrical standards, the Columbia College cast presented "The Sign of the Cross" as its silver jubilee offering Sunday night.

The two Corpsteins — Mary and John—Mary as the vain and proud patrician, Berenice, who sacrifices her pride before Marcus, and John as Marcus who prefers the innocence of the hunted Christian maid, Marcia, to the wealth and position of Berenice, and deserts Nero, the Roman legion, and life itself for Mercia and the faith she brought him, carry difficult roles convincingly.

Loras J. Holmberg, as the imbecilic, vacilating emperor, Nero, does some of the best acting in the play.

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CATHOLIC ACTION NOTES

If you wish a convincing argument for "Why Congregational Singing in Catholic Services" why not visit the Chapel of Columbia Academy next First Friday morning and assist at the Missa Cantata which opens the usual voluntary adoration—at which both faculty and students take active part. The rhythm, the precision, the sincerity, the devotion displayed is both Faith nourishing and Faith inspiring. The climax of last First Friday's adoration was the Eucharistic Way of the Cross, which, incidentally, the students offered for the eternal and happy repose of the soul of Edgar Bahl's mother who passed away recently.

The turn-out for the Jubilee Pilgrimage was surprising. All the boarders and most of the day students made this journey, which began at the Chapel here and proceeded to St. Patrick's, St. Mary's, and finally ending at the Cathedral.

Immediately following roll-call each morning, the student body has been saying a little prayer for the grace of a firm determination, first, to make the Retreat, and, secondly, to make a good Retreat.

The senior class, ever eager to share its treasure of Catholic Faith with others, wishes to set a precedent for the Catholic High Schools and Colleges of the city by donating three Catholic books to the Catholic Book Shelf in the Public Library. They have not as yet decided on the titles, but those selected will be by recent authors.

May we congratulate Father Striegel on his splendid example of Catholic Action in putting over so effectively the project of Catholic Reading for the CCC Camps. He deserves our support.

This question was put to the students: "Why a Retreat?" Many and varied were the answers received. We have here listed a few of the opinions:

V. Trebon—A Retreat is the best way to bring one to his senses.

E. Zeizer—Before stepping into a new walk of life, one should start with a clean slate.

J. Sprengelmeyer—It is a good time to settle one's vocation.

J. Reilly—A Retreat is the spiritual climax of a Catholic High School Course.

L. Murray—A chance to get a good look at yourself.

A. White—A means of getting better acquainted with oneself and God.

M. Collins—A final bolstering up of our spiritual fortification before embarking on the sea of life.

K. Schadle—A medium in which we may detect our defects and correct them for the future.

Wright—A chance to gain more spiritual powers for the future.

Hoeger—A spiritual inventory is a good thing.

J. Voelker—To spend three days with Christ.

M. Botsford—What a privelege!—To be an exclusive companion of Christ for three days!

Senior Dress Parade

Raymond "Axle Grease" Dolter—Ray hails from the famous Sacred Heart Territory. (All the sharks are said to come from there.) He associates exclusively with Spahn, Eisbach, and Wiehl. "Axle Grease" likes to sing at some of the class entertainments — "Wagon Wheels" is his favorite they say. (Guess it's because he's got the axle grease "right handy."

Vincent "Clam" Klaas—"V" is that silent meditative type of fellow that would rather be seen than heard. Passes over the High Bridge regularly on his way to school. The Academy Library is his chief haunt—but 'tis said that he calls at a certain number on Bluff Street rather frequently.

William "Honest Abe" Koob—Bill likes to write poems for English on classical subjects such as Aeneas and Dido, etc. His favorite passtime is playing around with the laboratory apparatus in physics. Bill is pretty reliable in paying back his debts—from one who knows! Likes to be back of the library cage.

Venard "Cupid" Trebon — "Cupid" is a husky little rascal who barely tips the scale over the two-hundred mark. His main delight is to play football. Notice that CA on his chest, fellows! Venard is looked up to and admired by most of the students. Only once in a while does he cause a disturbance in class or study hall.

William "Bugs" Moran—"Bugs" of the tall, handsome and dark variety, is that heap big tournament star that copped the trophy—together with many a feminine heart in the National Tournament. Bill writes sports for the Cee Ay when he's not playing basketball. He blushes quite feverishly when teased about the girls. "Bugs" likes to get on Murray during Assembly—and vica versa.

Irenaeus "Fat" Timmerman—"Fat" passes over the Great Father of Waters daily from that unique place known as East Dubuque. He delights in spying on and pursuing O'Neill in the .....s—(no, we promised not to give it away.) Irenaeus thinks his name is unusual, and prefers to be called anything else but—. Fat is rather demure and has a cute little giggle.

Joseph "Tap Dance" Reilly—Joe is rather small and just a wee bit bashful. He would rather play basketball than eat. Joe is light on his feet—and can he tap dance?—Oh boy! They tell us he's not so backward among the females; he gets a lot of phone calls too—ask brother Cy—he'll tell you.

Vernon "Paper Boy" Driscoll—Vernon is the typical Horatio Alger type, who got his start at carrying papers and ended up at the office of the U. S. President—Good Luck to you, Vern. Vern comes from the Emerald vicinity; he often chums with Dean, and is very often seen arguing with and teasing Mr. Willie Bardon. Life is just one big kick after another to "Paper Boy".

Carl "Chatter Box" Eisbach—Brother of the well-known Peter—that's Carl. He is the rather serious type that takes things as they come and go—nonchalantly—(even class!) Often he fluently relates the family history, and he very seldom exaggerates. Carl smokes a fag "for his nerves"—Bull Durham being preferred.

FIRST PRIZE STORY

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Here," handing him the half filled flask, "you recognize it, don't you?"

"No," was the short curt response.

"But, Mr. Murphy, supposing I was to tell you that I found out just where you got ahold of that poison; it has never entered your mind that a certain some one may have recognized you or squeeled on you, has it? Well, at any rate, I happen to know that it was you that got that poison and it is my object to produce before this vast assembly right now the evidence in the form of a human being. You're as good as at the electric chair," sneered Evans.

At the word 'electric chair' Murphy swayed. Yes, he knew he was caught now. There were no two ways out. Electric chair! No, never would he die there. He must act quickly!

All the while he contemplated, he was slowly removing the cap from the fatal flask he nervously clutched in his left hand. Then, with a gesture as quick as a lion landing on its unaware prey, he downed the contents of the vessel, frothed at the mouth like a mad dog, then fell into a hapless heap on the platform, crying as he fell, "I'm just a little too slick for you boobs."

The people stirred frantically, like a herd of buffalo in a stampede. The judge again pounded for silence, then, in full dignity rose up, looked straight at Evans as he spoke: "Evans, you did fine work. But pray tell me, why in the name of common sense did you want him to drink that poison? Suffering a year in the penitentiary and then death in the chair would have been a much harder death. What have you to say for your queer actions?"

"Your honor," began the cool Evans, "when I told Murphy that I knew and could produce the party from whom he got the poison, I merely made a wild fantastic guess. It is only natural to think he got it from someone who may or who may not have recognized him. I'd rather let Murphy think that the party from whom he bought it, recognized him—and that I had located that so-called party. Then, I thought if this didn't work out, I'd think up some other story or threat that would finally force him to swallow the contents of the flash I so 'unconsciously' let him play with. You know, your honor, circumstantial evidence can convict no one—and I wasn't going to take any chances. The reason why I let Murphy play with the fire is obvious—I wanted to create real evidence that would prove Murphy's guilt to you all—and I think I've fulfilled my mission—to beat Murphy's time. Perhaps friend Murphy has something to say for himself—if someone would be so kind as to shake him a bit. Epsom salts do make one sleepy, don't they?"

ONLY TEN STUDENTS CHOSEN AT THIS TIME

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nity selected. Other details will be taken care of next year.

A membership in this group would be considered the highest honor that could be conferred on a student on account of the comprehensive basis on which the students are chosen. These high standards will, quite naturally, keep the number comparatively small.

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